

**PATENT****Application # 10/026,307****Attorney Docket # 2000-0480 (1014-221)****REMARKS****Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance**

The Examiner is respectfully thanked for the consideration provided to this application, and for allowing the claims. To the extent that any statements provided in the Reasons for Allowance reference any allowed claim without quoting the actual language of that allowed claim, attempt to characterize the subject matter of any allowed claim, and/or actually characterize the subject matter of any allowed claim, Applicant respectfully traverses.

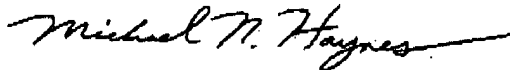
**CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully submitted that, in view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the application as amended is in clear condition for allowance. Reconsideration, withdrawal of all grounds of rejection, and issuance of a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 50-2504. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 434-972-9988 to discuss any matter regarding this application.

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